GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Service – Revenue Department – Departmental proceedings against Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, Thayyuru (V), S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District – Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 – Article of Charges – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 689 Dated: 04-07-2025

Read the following:-

1. From the DG, ACB, Lr.RC.No.18/RCT-TCT/2023, dt.24.05.2023.
2. Govt.Memo.No.Rev-01-LANA0CCLV(ACBC)/20/2023-Vig.III, dated:25.08.2023.
3. From the DG, ACB, Lr.RC.No.18/RCT-TCT/2023, dt.15.07.2024.
4. Govt.Memo.No.2081643/VIG-III/A2/2023, dated:03.02.2025.
5. From the DG, ACB, Letter Rc.No.18/RCT-TCT/2023, dt.6.3.2025.
6. G.O.Ms.No.230, Revenue (Vig.III) Department, dated:04.07.2025.

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O R D E R:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, Thayyuru (V), S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P.Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991 for committing irregularities noticed by the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau and was trapped on 21.03.2023.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges (Annexure. I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure. II, III & IV).

3. Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, Thayyuru (V), S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.

4. Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, Thayyuru (V), S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those Articles of Charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of Charge.

5. Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, Thayyuru (V), S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the time specified in Para 3 above or otherwise

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fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold inquiry against him ex-parte. Further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, Thayyuru (V), S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his/her interests in respect of matters pertaining to his/her service under the Government. If any representation is received on his/her behalf from any other person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, Thayyuru (V), S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the Memorandum be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer, Thayyuru (V), S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District ***through*** the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Chittoor District.
Sf/Sc.

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

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ANNEXURE –I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI M.GOVINDA REDDY, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER (GR-II), THAYYURU GRAMA SACHIVALAYAM, S.R.PURAM MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

That Sri M.Govinda Reddy, age 44 years, S/o Late M.Venkata Reddy, Village Revenue Officer (Gr-II), Thayyuru Grama Sachivalayam, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District, herein after referred as Government Servant, while functioning as such during the period from 21.08.2020 to 21.03.2023 (till date of trap) committed grave misconduct in as much as:

CHARGE:

That the Government servant Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer (Gr-II), Thayyuru Grama Sachivalayam, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District knowing that Sri S.Sabbar Basha, @ S.Shabbir Basha, formerly worked as Tahsildar, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District had demanded the bribe of Rs.20,000/- for mutation of revenue records to an extent of Ac.1.35 cents agricultural lands in the name of Sri Y.Venkata Reddy (who is brother of complainant Y.Lakshmana Reddy) and to issue pattadar passbook has demanded and accepted the said bribe amount of Rs.20,000/- on 21.02.2023 on behalf of Tahsildar from the complainant Sri Y.Lakshmana Reddy.

Thus, Sri M.Govinda Reddy, age 44 years, S/o Late M.Venkata Reddy, Village Revenue Officer (Gr-II), Thayyuru Grama Sachivalayam, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District by his above mentioned acts exhibited lack of devotion to duty, failed to maintain integrity, behaved in a manner that his conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and there by contravened Rule 3 (1) & 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE –II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI M.GOVINDA REDDY, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER (GR-II), THAYYURU GRAMA SACHIVALAYAM, S.R.PURAM MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

Sri M.Govinda Reddy, age 44 years, S/o Late M.Venkata Reddy, Village Revenue Officer (Gr-II), Thayyuru Grama Sachivalayam, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District. He is native of Dalavayapalli village, G.D.Nellore Mandal, Chittoor District. His date of birth is 01.08.1978. He entered into Government service on 24.03.2012 as VRA and posted to G.D. Nellore. On 21.08.2020 he was promoted as Village Revenue Officer and posted to MRO's office, S.R.Puram Mandal. He worked in the same capacity at S.R. Puram Mandal till the date of trap i.e. on 21.03.2023. He is due to retire on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.07.2040. He is hereinafter referred to as Government Servant.

CHARGE:

That the Government servant Sri M.Govinda Reddy, Village Revenue Officer (Gr-II), Thayyuru Grama Sachivalayam, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District knowing that Sri S.Sabbar Basha, @ S.Shabbir Basha, formerly worked as Tahsildar, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District had demanded the bribe of Rs.20,000/- for mutation of revenue records to an extent of Ac.1.35 cents agricultural lands in the name of Sri Y.Venkata Reddy, who is brother of complainant Y.Lakshmana Reddy and to issue pattadar passbook and in order to facilitate Tahsildar, the Government servant has demanded and accepted the said bribe amount of Rs.20,000/- on 21.03.2023 on behalf of Tahsildar from the complainant Sri Y.Venkata Reddy.

Facts and Evidence:

On 20.03.2023 at 07.30 PM the complainant Yarva Lakshmana Reddy, age 30 years, S/o late Y.Subba Reddy, came to ACB Office, Tirupati and gave a Telugu written complaint to DSP, ACB, Tirupati. The brief facts of the complaint are as follows:

He is a resident of Diguva Settivanatham village, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District and living by cultivation. His father blessed with two sons and two daughters. His father expired on 31.05.2021. His elder brother Y.Venkata Reddy working in America. About one month back, his elder brother came to his village. They live in a combined family. They are having agriculture land to an extent of 1.35 cents in Patta No.145 which is in the name of his father. The Complainant wants to mutate the agricultural land on his brother's name and get pattadar passbook. On 15.03.2023, he along with his elder brother met the Digital Assistant Kishore for mutation work. He instructed them to obtain the permission of the Tahsildar, SR Puram mandal. On the same day, the complainant and his elder brother met Sri Shabbar Basha, Tahsildar, S.R.Puram Mandal in the office and asked for mutation. The Tahsildar demanded Rs.25,000/- for mutation work. The complainant pleaded his inability to give such huge amount as bribe, but the

Tahsildar did not accept his request. On the same day, he dialed to 14400 through cell phone 8106610367 and informed the same. Again on 20.03.2023 morning at 11.00 AM, the complainant and his elder brother went to Grama Sachivalayam, Settivanatham with the mutation application and consulted Venkatapathi, VRO. He instructed the digital assistant to receive the mutation application. On that, they gave the mutation application to the digital assistant Kishore by paying the application fee Rs.50/- in the name of his elder brother. Digital Assistant Kishore uploaded the application in online and issued the fee receipt. At about 5.00 PM, the complainant along with his brother went to the office of the Tahsildar. While his brother was at outside the office, the complainant went in to the chamber of the Tahsildar, SR Puram. By the time, VRO Venkatapathi and another VRO Govinda Reddy of Thayyuru Grama Sachivalayam are also present in the Chamber of the Tahsildar. When he asked the Tahsildar about mutation work, he demanded Rs.25,000/-. When he requested to reduce the bribe amount, Tahsildar reduced bribe to Rs.20,000/-. As the complainant is unwilling to pay bribe to the Tahsildar, he recorded the voice conversation that took place between himself, Tahsildar & VROs. Later, he came to ACB office, Tirupati and presented a written report with a request to take appropriate action against the Tahsildar.

After due verification, the DSP, ACB, Tirupati the DSP, ACB, Tirupati registered the said report as a case in Cr.No.4/RCT-TCT/2023 U/sec 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act 1988 (as amended by Act 16 of 2018) on 21.03.2023 at 07.00 AM and proposed to lay a trap against Sri S.Sabbar Basha, @ S.Shabbir Basha, Tahsildar, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District.

During the investigation, the DSP, ACB, Tirupati got conducted Pre-Trap proceedings on 21.03.2023 from 08.30 AM to 10.30 AM in the presence of two independent official mediators and staff. All the required procedural formalities to be observed were complied with. During the Pre-trap proceedings, the Complainant produced one “Translink 1222 Micro SD HC Class (10) 4GB” memory card containing the voice records of the complainant, Sri S.Shabbar Basha, Tahsildar, Sri M.Govinda Reddy, VRO and Sri G.Venkatapathi, VRO of Settivanatham village, SR Puram Mandal which took place on 20.03.2023. The DSP, ACB, Tirupati got played the memory card in the computer system of the ACB office through Memory card reader in the presence of mediators. The above conversation was listened by the mediators and reduced in to Telugu typed transcript and incorporated in the Pre-Trap Proceedings. During the proceedings, the mediators ascertained the facts from the complainant, found the facts as genuine, and later noted the numbers and denominations of the proposed bribe amount currency notes of Rs.20,000/- consisting of 40 currency notes of Rs.500/- denominations. The DSP, ACB, Tirupati got the said currency notes tainted with chemical powder and later entrusted the said currency notes to the complainant and instructed him to pay the bribe amount to Sri Shabbar Basha on his further demand only and asked him to give a pre-arranged signal by way of wiping his face thrice with his handkerchief to the trap party. Further, the DSP, ACB, Tirupati demonstrated the chemical tests and explained their significance to the mediators and the complainant.

After completion of the Pre-Trap Proceedings, the trap party led by the DSP, ACB, Tirupati left the ACB, Office, Tirupati 10.40 AM reached the 100 meters

distance from the compound wall of the Tahsildar, MPDO and other offices complex, S.R.Puram. The DSP, ACB, Tirupati instructed the complainant to pay the tainted bribe amount to the AO on his further demand only, but not otherwise and to give Pre-arranged signal to the trap party.

On receipt of pre-arranged signal at 11.35 pm, the trap party led by DSP, ACB, Tirupati rushed towards the Tahsildar office and found the complainant is standing in front of the office of the Tahsildar. The DSP asked the complainant to wait outside of the office, until he is called in. The DSP, ACB deputed some of his staff to the chamber's of the Tahsildar and he along with mediators entered into the video conference/meeting hall and caught the VRO, M.Govinda Reddy red handedly. The DSP, ACB with the assistance of staff conducted chemical test to the both hands of the VRO, M.Govinda Reddy which yielded positive result. The DSP, ACB transferred the said solution into separate clean glass bottles, sealed, affixed identity slip duly attested by him and the mediators and seized them. When The DSP, ACB asked about the tainted currency notes, the VRO, M.Govinda Reddy produced the bribe amount wrapped in a white paper from iron table right side top drawer. The serial numbers and denominations of the recovered currency notes were tallied with the serial numbers and denominations of the currency notes mentioned in the Pre-Trap Proceedings. The DSP, ACB seized the above tainted currency notes of bribe amount.

The DSP, ACB got conducted the Sodium Carbonate solution test to the swab wiped on the surface of the white paper which was used by the VRO, M.Govinda Reddy to warp the tainted currency. It also yielded positive result. The pink colored solution was seized by him the DSP, ACB after attestation by himself and the mediators.

The DSP, ACB collected the sample of Sodium Carbonate powder used during the Post-Trap Proceedings in a separate small cover and seized the same after attestation by himself and the mediators.

The DSP, ACB got prepared the rough sketch of the scene of offence by incorporating the vantage positions and duly attested by him and the mediators. At the instance of the S.Shabbar Basha, Tahsildar, the DSP, ACB seized the official favour file pending with the S.Sabbar Basha, Tahsildar.

The DSP, ACB questioned the S.Shabbar Basha, Thasildar and M.Govinda Reddy, VRO about the receipt of the bribe amount from the Complainant for which they stated that on their demand to complete the mutation work of the complainant's elder brother, they received the bribe amount from the Complainant Sri Y.Lakshmana Reddy.

During the time of Post-Trap Proceedings complainant produced a Translink 4 GB 01/23 containing the voice conversation that took place on 21.3.2023 between the S.Shabbar Basha, Tahsildar and M.Govinda Reddy, VRO and the complainant. The memory card was played by inserting in the laptop carried by the ACB officials through Memory card reader, listened and transcripted in Telugu is incorporated in the Post-Trap Proceedings. Further, the same was seized by the DSP, ACB duly attested by himself and the mediators.

As the prima-facie of the case made out against the S.Sabbar Basha, Tahsildar and M.Govinda Reddy, VRO, SR Puram Mandal the DSP, ACB arrested S.Sabbar Basha, Tahsildar at 4.50 AM and M.Govinda Reddy, VRO at 5.00 AM on 22.03.2023 and sent them to the Hon'ble Court of Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Nellore to Judicial remand on the same day. Subsequently they were released on bail. During the investigation, relevant witnesses were examined and connected documents were collected which substantiate the allegations.

Hence the charge against the Government Servant Sri M.Govinda Reddy, VRO knowing that Sri S.Shabbar Basha, @ S.Shabbir Basha, formerly Tahsildar, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District had demanded the bribe of Rs.20,000/- for mutation of revenue records to an extent of Ac.1.35 cents agricultural lands in the name of Sri Y.Venkata Reddy (who is brother of complainant Y.Lakshmana Reddy) and to issue pattadar passbook and in order to facilitate Tahsildar, he has demanded and accepted the said bribe amount of Rs.20,000/- on behalf of Tahsildar from Sri Y.Lakshmana Reddy is held substantiated.

Thus the Government servant, M.Govinda Reddy, 44 years, S/o Late M.Venkata Reddy, VRO, Thayyuru Grama Sachivalayam, SR Puram mandal by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and behaved in such a manner that his conduct unbecoming of a Government servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) & 3(2) of AP Civil Service (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus, the Government servant M.Govinda Reddy, 44 years, S/oLate M.Venkata Reddy, VRO, Thayyuru Grama Sachivalayam, SR PUram mandal, Chittoor Dist, rendered himself liable for regular departmental enquiry for major penalty under Rule 20 of APCS (CC & A) Rules, 1991.

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ANNEXURE –III

STATEMENT OF WITNESSES IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST M.GOVINDA REDDY, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER (GR-II), THAYYURU GRAMA SACHIVALAYAM, S.R.PURAM MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT

The following is the oral evidence is available to substantiate the allegation:

1. Sri Yarva Lakshmana Reddy, age 30 years, S/o late Y.Subba Reddy, Diguva Settivanatham Village, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District.

   He is the complainant and speaks about the contents of his report Dt.20.03.2023 submitted to the DSP, ACB, Tirupati and also speaks about the contents of the Mediators Reports-I & II, Dt.21.03.2023 to the extent concerned to him. The statement of the complainant was recorded U/s 164 Cr.P.C. by the IV Additional Junior Civil Judge, Tirupati on 01.04.2023 and his statement U/s 161 Cr.P.C to the IO and etc facts.

2. Sri Thella Neelakantaiah, age 42 years, S/o T.Munaswamy, Assistant Executive Engineer, Operation Section, Renigunta, APSPDCL, Tirupati, R/o D.No.1-52, Mallamgunta, Tirupati Rural Mandal, Tirupati District. (Mediator-I).

   He is the 1st mediator and speaks about the contents of Pre-Trap proceedings and Post-Trap Proceedings Dt.21.03.2023.

3. Sri Balamuru Balaji, age 42 years, S/o late B.Subramanyam, Senior Assistant, Construction Division, O/o The Superintending Engineer, Operation, APSPDCL, Tirupati, R/o D.No.9-42, Amaravathi Nagar, Tirupati City and District. (Mediator-II).

   He is the 2nd mediator and speaks about the contents of Pre-Trap proceedings and Post-Trap Proceedings Dt.21.03.2023.

4. Sri Yarva Venkata Reddy, age 35 years, S/o late Y.Subba Reddy, Diguva Settivanatham Village, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor District. Software Engg. At USA, Florida state.

   He is elder brother of the complainant. He corroborated with the version of his younger brother regarding preferring complaint, further, he came to know through the Complainant laying trap by ACB officials against Government servant and etc. facts.

5. Sri Penumuru Kalyan, Age 34 years, S/o P.N. Lakshmi Venkatesulu, Dy. Tahsildar, (Re-Survey), O/o the Tahsildar, S.R.PuramMandal, R/o D.No.19-8-8/6B2, Dasarimattam, R.C. Road, Tirupati, Ph :8333923000.

He stated that, on 21-03-2023 at 10-00 AM, he came to office, by the time Government Servant was present in the office. At about 10-10 AM, Sri Shaik Shabbir Basha, Tahsildar came to the office. At about 12-30 PM,

Government servants were present in the chamber of Tahsildar, one person came to the office and went in to the chamber of Tahsildar, talked with them and after some time, Government Servant and the male person went to the 1st floor of the office. After some time, some officials of ACB Tirupati entered into the office of Tahsildar and some officials went to the 1st floor. After that, he came to know that, Government Servant accepted bribe amount of Rs.20,000/- from the male person as per the instructions of Tahsildar for doing the mutation work of that person and ACB officials caught both the Tahsildar and VRO. After formation of Grama/Ward Sachivalayams, the VROs used to attend the Sachivalayam in the morning hours and later used to attend the Tahsildar office for attending mutation and other duties. He stated that he came to know that the said male person as Y. Lakshmana Reddy of Diguva Settivanatham village of SR Puram mandal and etc. facts.

4. Sri Mekala Thyagaraju, Age 34 years, S/o M. Kannaiah, Mandal Revenue Inspector, O/o the Tahsildar, SR Purammandal, R/o KrishnajammaPuram Village, Palasamudram Mandal, Phone : 7893009349.

He stated and corroborated the version of Sri P.Kalyan, DT and etc. facts.

5. Sri Thokala Narasimhulu, age 53 years, S/o Late Venkatappa Naidu, Jr. Asst., O/o the Tahsildar, SR Puram mandal, R/o Krishanajammapuram(V), Palasamudram Mandal, Chittoor Dist, Ph: 9573268347.

He stated and further he corroborated the version of Sri P.Kalyan, DT and etc. facts.

6. Sri Kondavajjala Ajith, age 29 years, S/o K.Hareendranath, Data Entry Operator (Out sourcing), O/o the Tahsildar, SR Puram mandal, R/o Nelavoi village, SR Puram mandal, Ph: 9000331771.

He stated that, the mutation application of Sri Y. Venkat Reddy, Diguva Settivanatham village was received through online from the Digital Asst. of Settivanatham Grama Sachivalayam on 20.03.2023 and affixed the digital signature of the Tahsildar by generating Form-8A notice and forwarded the same to the Web-land login of the VRO Settivanatham on 20.03.2023 at 7.45 PM for further process. Further, he corroborated the version of Sri P.Kalyan, DT and etc. facts.

7. Kum. Police Kalpana, age 27 years, D/o P.Pandyan, Election Data Entry Operator (Out sourcing), O/o the Tahsildar, SR Purammandal, R/o Cherlopalli village, ChittoorMandal& Dist., Ph: 7730825841.

She stated and corroborated the version of Sri P.Kalyan, DT and etc. facts.

8. Sri Thoti Pichaiah, age 51 years, S/o Late Muneiah, Office Sub-ordinate, O/o the Tahsildar, SR PuramMandal, R/o BalijaKandriga, SiddirajuKandriga Post, PalasamudramMandal, Phone : 8978518435.

He stated and corroborated the version of Sri T.Narasimhulu, Jr. Asst. and etc. facts.

9. Sri Kaveri Bindu Sagar, age 24 years, S/o Late Kuppaiah, Village Surveyor, ChinnaThayyuru Gram Sachivalayam, R/o Vathuluru village, Karvetinagarmandal, Chittoor Dist, Ph: 7093793644.

He stated that, he came to know about the trap laid against Government servant by ACB officials and etc. facts.

10. Govindu Venkatapathi, age 42 years, S/o Late Erukalaiah, VRO, Settivanatham Gram Sachivalayam, R/o Guttakinda M/Wada, SV Puram Post, Vadamalapet, Tirupati dist.

He stated that on 20.03.2023 he instructed that the digital assistant Kishore of Chettivanatham Grama Sachivalayam to receive their application and after that he received the physical/ original application file after uploading in the GS and in the evening at about 4.00 PM, he came to the O/o the Tahsildar, SR Puram and by the time Government servant are present in the office. At about 4.45 PM while he was present in the office, the complainant came to the O/o the Tahsildar, SR Puram and while he was present in the office chamber along with Government servant the mutation application work of Y.Venkat Reddy, brother of Y.Lakshman Reddy was discussed and he in turn handed over the original application file containing sheets 21 to the Tahsildar at about 5.00 PM for mutation purpose to generate Form-8A notice. During the meet, Tahsildar demanded Rs.25,000/- bribe from the complainant for mutation work and finally agreed for Rs.20,000/-. Further, on 21.3.2023 at about 1.00 PM, he received phone call from DSP, ACB and after that he attended the O/o Tahsildar office, SR Puram and came to know about the demand and acceptance of bribe of Rs.20,000/- by Tahsildar through Government servant and trap laid against them by the ACB officials and etc. facts.

Further, his statement was recorded U/s 164 Cr.P.C. by the Hon'ble IV Additional Junior Civil Judge, Tirupati on 01.04.2023 and corroborated the same facts.

11. Smt. Melamkavitha, age 24 years, W/o P.Munirathnam, Village Surveyor, Settivanatham Gram Sachivalayam, R/o Battrikandriga village, Vadamalapetamandal, Tirupati Dist., Ph: 9573376587.

She stated and corroborated with the version Sri K.BinduSagar and etc. facts.

12. Smt. Reddivari Joshna, age 49 years, W/o M.Venakta Guru Prasad Reddy, GS Secretary, Thayyuru Gram Sachivalayam, R/o Kalagaturu village, Gangavarammandal, Chittoor Dist., 9182410279.

She stated that, on 21.03.2023, AO-2 attended the GS at 8.53 AM and after that went to the Tahsildar office, SR Puram. Further, she came to know about the trap laid against Govt. Servant by the ACB officials, she came to Tahsildar office

produced the original attendance register of Tahyyuru GS to the ACB officials and etc. facts.

13. Smt.Chandragiri Renuka, age 61 years, W/o M.Ravindranatha Reddy, RDO, Chittoor, R/o Flat No.103, Sai Residency Apartment-II, MR Palli, Tirupati, Ph:9491077005 (O), 9848046979 (P).

She stated that on 21.03.2023 at about 3.00 PM she received phone call from DSP, ACB, Tirupati and came to know about the trap laid against Govt. Servants -1 & 2. Further, as per the request of ACB officials, she attended the O/o the Tahsildar, SR Puram at about 8.45 PM and furnished the process of mutation application and etc. facts.

14. Sri Y.Kishore Kumar, 32 years, S/o Y.Balakrishna, Digital Asst., Settivanatham Grama Sachivalayam, SR Puram Mandal, r/o Door No: 1/60, Eguvamedawada village, SR Puram Mandal, Ph:9963038849, 9550469500.

He speaks that on 15.03.2023, the complainant came to Grama Sachivaalayam for mutation of his father's land on the name of his elder brother. On that, he informed him to consult Govt. Servants -1 for uploading his mutation application. Again the complainant and his brother came to Grama Sachivaalayam on 20.03.2023. VRO Sri G.Venkatapathi of Sattivanatham village instructed him to upload his application. Accordingly he uploaded their mutation application and issued online receipt. Further, he came to know that Govt. Servants were trapped by ACB officials while they accepted bribe of Rs.20,000/- from the complainant for the said mutation work and etc. facts.

15. Sri K.Janardhana Naidu, DSP, ACB, Tirupati:

To speak to the facts of his registration of the case, investigation, i.e., Pre-Trap & Post-Trap Proceedings, arrest of the Accused officers, Judicial remand and etc. facts.

16. Sri M.Eshwar, Inspector of Police, ACB, Tirupati.

To speak to the facts of his further investigation, examination of witnesses, requisition for conducting of 164 Cr.P.C. statement of Sri G.Venkatapathi, VRO and etc. facts.

Any other witness if necessary will be produced at the time of enquiry.

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ANNEXURE –1V

LIST OF RECORDS IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST M.GOVINDA REDDY, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER (GR-II), THAYYURU GRAMA SACHIVALAYAM, S.R.PURAM MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT

1. Complaint Dt.20.03.2023 given by complainant Sri Yarva Lakshmana Reddy:

   It reveals the facts of the demand of bribe amount of Rs.20,000/- by the Govt. Servants -1 for doing official favour.

2. FIR dt.21.03.2023 in Cr.No.04/RCT-TCT/2023 u/s 7 of P.C (Amendment), Act, 2018.

   It reveals that a report was received from the Complainant with regard to the demand of bribe and registration of the case against the Tahsildar and etc. facts.

3. Pre-Trap proceedings, Dt.21.03.2023.
   It reveals the actual happenings during the Pre-Trap Proceedings Dt.21.03.2023.

4. Post-Trap Proceedings Dt.21&22.03.2023.

   It reveals the actual happenings during the Pre-Trap Proceedings Dt.21.03.2023.

5. 6-A claim application of Sri Yarva Venkata Reddy elder brother of the complainant:
   It reveals that Sri Y.Venkata Reddy, elder brother of the complainant applied for mutation of his father's lands and etc. facts.

6. Staff Attendance Register of the Tahsildar's Office: It is being maintained from January 2023 to till date and it reveals the working status, other duties and vacancy position and etc. facts.

7. Online print copy of Form-8: On perusal, it is found that the Tahsildar generated Form-8 Namuna for the Sy.Nos. 296/10A, 296/1B, 296/9A, 297/7A, 297/8, 298/10, 298/11, 298/12, 298/14A, 298/3B, 298/6, 298/8 and 298/9B on 20.03.2023 separately for each survey numbers with his digital signature (13 sheets).

8. Online print copy of Mutation for Transaction: On perusal, it is found that the application of M.Tarun vide No.MUT230317087334 , dt.17.03.2023, application of C.Amara vide No.MUT230318069669, dt.18.03.2023, application of Y.Venkata Reddy vide No.MUT230320040255, dt.20.03.2023, application of J.Janakiram vide No.MUT230320093304 dt.20.03.2023and application of A.Venkatesulu vide No.MUT230321017130, dt.21.03.2023 were received by the Tahsildar office from 17.03.2023 to 21.03.2023 and Form-8 were generated for all the applications except the application of A.Venkatesulu (3 sheets).

9. Attendance Register of Thayyuru Grama Sachivayalam: It has been maintained from January, 2023 to 21.03.2023 for 11 staff members. The name of the Government-2 Sri M.Govinda Reddy was mentioned at serial number 3 and he affixed his initials as mark of his attendance for duty in all working days except on his CL on 18.03.2023. It reveals that the Government Servant is on duty on 20.03.2023 and 21.03.2023 during the demand of the bribe amount by him and the Tahsildar on 20.03.2023 and 21.03.2023.

10. Statement of the complainant recorded U/s 164 Cr.P.C :It corroborates the facts of the complaint, Pre-Trap & Post-Trap Proceedings.

11. Rough Sketch of the Scene of offence: the document speaks about the scene of offence where the Govt. Servants -1 & 2 demanded and accepted the bribe amount.

12. Lr.No. Roc. C/694/2023, Dt.29.04.2023 of RDO, Chittoor. It speaks about the service particulars of the Govt. Servant , and procedure adopted for the process of mutation claim.

13. Statement of the witness Sri G.Venkatapathi, VRO, Settivanatham recorded U/s 164 Cr.P.C. It corroborates that the Govt. Servant demanded and accepted the bribe from the complainant for doing official favour.

14. Certificate u/s 65B IE Act: Issued by the complainant who recorded the conversations, (took place on 20.03.2023 between himself and the Govt. Servant and VRO G.Venkatapathi, another conversation that took place on 21.03.2023 between the complainant, Govt. Servants -1 & 2 through his cell phone into memory card.

15. Copy of application No.14400-13083, Dt.15.03.2023 of Y.Lakshmana Reddy: It reveals that, when the Government Servant-1 demands bribe of Rs.25,000/- from the complainant for mutation work, the complainant informed the same through 14400 portal.

Any other document if necessary will be produced at the time of enquiry.

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